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Applicant : McGrath, et al. )  
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For : SQUARE-HOLED SPIRAL WELDED )  
FILTER ELEMENT SUPPORT )  
SLEEVE )  
Examiner : unknown )

ESTABLISHMENT OF RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION  
AND  
REVOCATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee below (the "Assignee"). A true copy of the original Assignment of the above-captioned application from the inventors to the Assignee is attached hereto. This Assignment represents the entire chain of title of this invention from the Inventors to the Assignee.

I declare that all statements made herein are true, and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, or any patent issuing thereon.

The undersigned hereby revokes any previous powers of attorney in the subject application, and hereby appoints the registrants of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, 620 Newport Center Drive, Sixteenth Floor, Newport Beach, California 92660, Telephone

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(949) 760-0404, **Customer No. 20,995**, as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith. This appointment is to be to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and his attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

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USF Filtration and Separations Group, Inc.

Dated: 2/28/02

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### ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, James A. McGrath, a United States citizen, residing at 5295 North Lake Burkett Lane, Winter Park, Florida 32792; James Allen Morton, a United States citizen, residing at 2381 Pine Hill Place, Orange City, Florida 32763; Steven Neubert, a United States citizen, residing at 2933 Orange Tree Drive, Edgewater, Florida 32141; Joseph C. Anderer, a United States citizen, residing at 2313 Roanoke Court, Lake Mary, Florida 32746; Steven Sierens, a United States citizen, residing at 543 Minneola Avenue, Clermont, Florida 32711, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a SQUARE-HOLED SPIRAL WELDED FILTER ELEMENT SUPPORT SLEEVE for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, on even date herewith;

AND WHEREAS, USF Filtration and Separations Group, Inc. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a Delaware corporation, with its principal place of business at 9690 Deereco Road, Suite 700, Timonium, Maryland 21093, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20 day of FEBRUARY, 2002

James A. McGrath  
James A. McGrath

STATE OF Florida }  
COUNTY OF Volusia } SS.

On 2/20/2002, before me, JAMES A. McGRATH, personally appeared James A. McGrath personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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Joy Ann Monroe  
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James A. Morton  
James Allen Morton

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On 02/20/02, before me, JAMES A. MORTON, personally appeared James Allen Morton personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20 day of FEB, 2002

Stephen Neubert  
Stephen Neubert

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On Feb. 20, 2002, before me, STEPHEN NEUBERT, personally appeared Steven Neubert personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20 day of February, 2002

Joseph C. Anderer  
Joseph C. Anderer

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COUNTY OF Volusia } ss.

On Feb 20, 2002, before me, JOSEPH C. ANDERER, personally appeared Joseph C. Anderer personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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